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1. A ball marking system comprising:

a hat having a dome with an inner surface, an outer surface and an opening;

5 an insert having a base member with a magnetized upper surface, a lower surface, and a wing such that the wing is attached to the inner surface of the dome with the base member protruding through the opening of the dome; and

a marker having a top surface and a bottom surface, the
10 bottom surface magnetically attached to the upper surface of the base member.

2. The ball marker as in claim 1 wherein the base member has a cavity such that a portion of the marker overlies the cavity whenever the marker is magnetically attached to the upper surface
15 of the base member and such that when force is placed on the top surface of the marker above the cavity, the marker teeters against an edge of the base member into the cavity.

3. The ball marker as in claim 2 further comprising an arcuate ring member extending circumferentially about the upper surface
20 of the base member.

4. The ball marker as in claim 3 wherein the ring member has a discontinuity located proximate the cavity.

5. The ball marker as in claim 1 further comprising an arcuate ring member extending circumferentially about the upper surface
25 of the base member.

6. The ball marker as in claim 1 wherein the entire upper surface of the base member is magnetized.
7. The ball marker as in claim 1 wherein the less than the entire upper surface of the base member is magnetized.
- 5 8. The ball marker as in claim 1 wherein the wing extends circumferentially around the base member.
9. The ball marker as in claim 1 wherein the wing is adhered to the inner surface of the dome.
10. The ball marker as in claim 1 wherein the wing is stitched
10 to the inner surface of the dome.